GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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REJECTED INTERPOLATED SCENES IN FILMS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Government are aware the various Cinema hall managements interpolated scenes in films which had been rejected by the Censor Board or even from X-rated foreign films;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of incidents brought to notice during each of the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the steps taken to check this practice?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) & (b): The Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) has been receiving reports of violation of the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1952, by way of exhibition of uncertified films or films with interpolation of scenes deleted by the CBFC or insertion of portions not shown to the Board, in several States and Union Territories. The number of prints of films seized on account of interpolations during the last three years are as under:-

Year	Number of prints of films seized
1999	32
2000	57
2001	144

(C): Although enforcement of the Cinematograph Act is a State Government responsibility, yet CBFC has also hired a private detective agency for carrying out regular checks in the theatres, initially in the four metropolitan cities, to detect cases of violation of the provisions of the Act and report the same to the concerned State authorities for prompt investigation and possible prosecution.